



TASMANIA AT A GLANCE 1995

PHYSICAL

Area of State (incl. lesser islands)	km ²	68 331
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CLIMATE

		Hobart	Launceston Airport
Average annual rainfall (long term).....	mm	626	721
Mean temperatures: (1994) -			
Winter	Min	5.4	2.4
	Max	12.5	11.6
Summer	Min	12.8	11.1
	Max	22.6	23.7

POPULATION

	1986	1991	1994p
Estimated resident population			
at 30 June	no.		
Aged less than 15	446 473	466 802	472 357
Aged 15-24	107 485	107 926	106 600
Aged 25-64	74 627	71 339	69 528
Aged 65 and over	215 829	232 173	237 565
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	48 532	55 364	58 664
Greater Launceston Statistical District	82 071	190 950	194 167
Burnie-Devonport Statistical District	91 061	96 134	97 918
Density	76 603	78 707	79 035
	no./km ²	6.5	6.8
			6.9

VITALS

	1983	1992	1993
Births	no.	7 062	6 987
Rate per thousand population	16.3	14.9	14.5
Deaths	no.	3 319	3 739
Rate per thousand population	7.67	8.0	7.7
Marriages	no.	3 644	3 081
Rate per thousand population	8.4	6.6	6.5
Divorces	no.	1 359	1 365
Rate per thousand population	3.1	2.9	3.1

TOURISM AND TRAVEL

	1992	1993	1994
Total visitors to Tasmania (a)	no.	437 200	468 478
Visitors' expenditure in Tasmania (a)	\$m	377	364
Passenger movements (incl. residents) -			
Arrivals by air:			
Interstate	no.	652 092	694 244
New Zealand	no.	4 428	5 144
Arrivals by sea (a)	no.	114 969	115 381
Total arrivals	no.	771 489	814 769
Departures total (a)	no.	761 109	814 835
Accommodation (hotel capacity) -			
Hotels and motels etc. with facilities:			
Guest rooms available	no.	5 133	5 342
Half-day unit establishments:			
Units available	no.	725	771
Caravan parks:			
Sites and cabins, flats etc.	no.	6 436	6 425
			6 953

(a) Source: Tasmanian Visitor Survey conducted by Dept. of Tourism, Sport and Recreation.

p = preliminary figures

(b) Source: Dept. of Tourism, Sport and Recreation. Note: excludes cruise ships.

r = revised figures

EDUCATION

		1992	1993	1994
Schools:	Government	265	237	233
	Non government	72	65	68
Students:	Government	65 713	64 727	64 061
	Non-government	20 576	21 034	21 298
University (total enrolments)		11 313	11 618	12 030
Maritime College (total enrolments)		1 378	1 256	1 363

LABOUR FORCE

(seasonally adjusted)

		Mar. 1993	Mar. 1994	Mar. 1995
Persons in labour force		215 000	222 300	222 000
Employed		189 500	194 600	199 200
Unemployed		25 500	26 400	22 800
Participation rate		59.5	60.4	60.5
Unemployment rate		11.9	11.9	10.3

Employed wage and

salary earners by industry -

		Sept. 1992	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994
Mining		1 500	1 800	1 700
Manufacturing		21 400	21 600	21 500
Electricity, gas and water		3 600	3 400	2 300
Construction		5 400	5 600	6 700
Wholesale and retail trade		29 300	31 500	25 300
Transport and storage		6 200	6 100	4 900
Communication		2 400	2 200	2 300
Finance, property and business services		12 400	12 700	10 800
Public administration and defence		9 900	9 600	9 800
Community services		38 300	43 400	41 000
Recreation, personal and other services		11 600	11 900	12 100
Total		142 800	150 500	139 200

RETAIL TRADE (a)

		1980	1986	1992
Retail establishments at 30 June		4 268	4 592	4 839

Turnover -

		1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Food retailing		\$m 1 038.4	1 128.0	1 155.1
Clothing and soft-goods retailing		\$m 201.4	192.5	193.2
Household goods retailing		\$m 238.1	256.0	243.5
Recreational goods retailing		\$m 188.0	208.4	206.8
Hospitality and services		\$m 446.4	425.9	440.2
Other retailing (b)		\$m 444.6	451.3	510.0
Total		\$m 2 556.9	2 659.1	2 748.8

(a) Excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol etc.

(b) includes department stores.

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FOREIGN TRADE

Value of imports into Tasmania	\$m
Value of exports of Tasmanian origin	\$m

1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
287	334	442
1 439	1 521	1 543

WAGES

Total average weekly earnings, full time	
adult employees	\$
increase over previous year	%
Award rates of pay index for	
full time adult wage and	
salary earners (1985 = 100.0)	
increase over previous year	%

Nov. 1992	Nov. 1993	Nov. 1994
589.5	613.5	636.90
3.2	4.1	3.8
Dec. 1992	Dec. 1993	Dec. 1994
138.8	140.7	140.0
0.7	1.3	0.7

TASMANIA COMPARED WITH AUSTRALIA

Area	Period	Tasmania	Per cent of Australian Total
Area	-	68.3	0.89
Demography -			
Estimated resident population	30 June 1993	471.4	2.67
Births	1993	6 835	2.63
Deaths (including infant deaths)	1993	3 637	2.99
Marriages	1993	3 055	2.70
Divorces	1993	1 465	3.03
Labour Force (seasonally adjusted) -			
Employed persons	March 1995	199.2	2.44
Unemployed persons	March 1995	22.8	2.95
Agriculture			
Gross value of agriculture			
commodities produced (a)	1993-94	626.3	2.6
Area of establishments	1993-94	969	0.4
Cattle	1993-94	679	2.6
Sheep	1993-94	4 324	3.3
Pigs	1993-94	46	1.6
Milk	1993-94	447	5.6
Wool (greasy)	1993-94	17 613	7.6
Manufacturing			
Establishments	1991-92	857	2.1
Persons employed	1991-92	23.3	2.6
Turnover	1991-92	3 903.7	2.3
Foreign Trade -			
Total imports	1993-94	442	0.7
Total exports	1993-94	1 543	2.5

AGRICULTURE

Livestock numbers -

	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Dairy cattle (excluding house cows) '000	146.0	159.5	171.6
Beef cattle '000	446.7	445.2	507.3
Sheep and lambs '000	4 294.8	4 263.6	4 323.9
Pigs '000	40.0	43.9	45.5

Production of

Meat (carcass weight) tonnes	67 524	67 770	71 031
Milk (source: Australian Dairy Corporation) million litres	372	413	447
Wool (greasy) tonnes	18 293	17 590	17 613
Barley for grain tonnes	31 793	35 285	40 755
Apples tonnes	50 439	56 213	54 954
Beans, french and runner (processing) tonnes	9 243	8 829	7 577
Peas, green (processing) tonnes	27 829	27 715	35 054
Onions tonnes	78 267	59 305	70 709
Potatoes tonnes	249 769	269 902	291 423
Flax (dry weight) tonnes	2 118	2 314	2 195
Oilseeds (area) hectares	7 584	5 298	5 853

Gross value \$m	533.5	568.7	620.3
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MINING

Turnover of establishments \$m	382.6	375.5	n.a.
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Mineral concentrates produced -

Copper concentrate '000 tonnes	97.4	107.6	128.1
Iron concentrate (pellets) '000 tonnes	1451.6	1458.9	1565.9
Tin concentrate '000 tonnes	10.7	12.1	13.4
Zinc concentrate '000 tonnes	335.0	454.3	316.5

MANUFACTURING

Turnover of establishments \$m	3 903.7	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
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Production of -

Newsprint '000 tonnes	202.8	228.4	208.9
Refined zinc '000 tonnes	206.0	212.0	193.8
Sulphuric acid '000 tonnes	359.1	355.5	362.0
Superphosphate '000 tonnes	75.9	74.6	74.4
Electricity million kW.h	8 967	8 864	8 855
Gas (mains) '000 megajoules	63 317	6 432	55 767
Sawn timber '000 m ³	297.1	324.1	348.0
Woodchips '000 tonnes	3 356.0	3 565.8	3 726.1

BUILDING

New dwelling units approved -

Private no.	3 739	3 951	4 037
Public no.	164	143	110
Total no.	3 903	4 094	4 147
Value \$'000	260 296	275 262	301 963

Value of all non-residential building

approved (new, plus alterations and additions valued at \$50,000 or more) \$'000	105 941	103 107	145 922
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n.y.a. = not yet available.

TRANSPORT	1992	1993	1994
New motor vehicles registered			
during yearno.	12 436	12 497	13 380
New motorcycles registered			
during yearno.	3/1	440	3/6
Total motor vehicles & motorcycles			
on register at 30 Juneno.	304 700	310 800	316 100
ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS (a)	1992	1993	1994
Accidents involving casualtiesno.	1 234	1 190	1 223
Persons killedno.	74	58	58
Persons injuredno.	1 712	1 687	1 739
FINANCE	1983-84	1992-93	1993-94
State Government -			
Current outlays\$m	606	1 973	2 079
Final consumption expenditure\$m	657	1 263	1 330
Capital outlays\$m	340	279	271
Expenditure on fixed assets\$m	318	312	445
Revenue and grants received\$m	171	2 135	2 184
Taxes, fees and fines\$m	798	558	592
Grants received\$m	765	167	1 128
Local Government -	1983-84	1992-93	1993-94
Current outlays\$m	73	45	158
Capital outlays\$m	37	80	78
Revenue and grants received\$m	113	228	237
Tax, fees and fines\$m	55	22	132
Grants received\$m	34	62	65
Private -			
Banking:	1984	1993	1994
Deposits, (b) June\$m	n.a.	3 095	3 263
Housing Finance:	1983-84	1992-93	1993-94
Total secured housing commitments (c) \$m	211	62	773
PRICE INDEXES (HOBART)	Dec. 1992	Dec. 1993	Dec. 1994
Consumer Price Index:			
(1989-90 = 100.0)no.	108.0	111.6	114.2
Increase over previous year%	0.6	3.3	2.3
Building materials -	Jan. 1993	Jan. 1994	Jan. 1995
House (1985-86 = 100.0)no.	140.7	144.5	150.0
Increase over previous year%	2.3	2.7	3.8
Other than house (a)			
(1989-90 = 100.0)no.	108.3	110.3	112.0
Increase over previous year%	1.2	1.8	1.5

(a) Source: Department of Transport and Works.

(b) Average of weekly figures.

(c) Excludes alterations and additions; includes refinancing.

(d) Now published on a reference base of 1989-90 = 100.0.

n.a. = not available

p = preliminary figures

CENSUS SUPPLEMENT - TASMANIA

EMPLOYED PERSONS (by industry)

	1981	1986	1991
Agriculture	12 996	13 066	11 404
Mining	4 311	3 298	2 305
Manufacturing	26 124	24 718	23 276
Electricity, gas & water	4 641	5 052	2 983
Construction	10 963	11 325	9 366
Wholesale, retail trade	29 078	31 318	31 349
Transport, storage	8 156	8 252	7 397
Communication	3 401	3 563	2 544
Finance, property & bus. services	10 760	12 208	13 387
Public admin., defence	8 846	9 002	10 025
Community services	29 619	35 036	35 039
Recreation, personal & others	10 209	11 911	13 147
Not stated	11 298	5 649	(a) 16 172
TOTAL	170 402	174 398	178 403

EMPLOYED PERSONS (by industry sector)

	1981	1986	1991
Commonwealth Government	10 613	11 479	9 449
State Government	34 746	36 399	31 213
Local Government	3 015	3 244	3 711
Private Sector	112 603	119 880	123 395
Not stated	9 425	3 396	10 635
TOTAL	170 402	174 398	178 403

QUALIFICATIONS (highest level obtained)

	1981	1986	1991
Degree or higher	11 704	14 412	20 784
Other qualifications	54 868	72 979	61 971
Not qualified	207 002	211 274	222 498
Not stated	26 161	31 150	40 167
TOTAL	299 738	329 815	345 420

OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS

	1981	1986	1991
Owned	44 740	58 157	68 115
Being purchased	44 977	47 588	45 038
Rented			
Government	9 522	14 388	15 022
Other	29 863	22 359	26 222
Total rented	39 385	36 747	41 244
Not stated	6 476	6 307	8 707
TOTAL	135 578	148 799	163 104

(a) - Includes unclassifiable.